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FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT PARIS DATED 21 SEPT 1977 FROM
STRASBOURG RPTD FOR YOUR ACTION:

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SUBJECT: COUNCIL OF EUROPE POSTPONES ACTION ON CYPRIOT
COMPLAINTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AGAINST TURKEY

REF: PARIS 27212

1. IN SPITE OF HECTIC LAST-MINUTE MANEUVERING LED BY EC-NINE PRESIDENCY BELGIANS, THE NECESSARY TWO-THIRDS CONSENSUS COULD NOT BE REACHED IN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (PERMREPS) ON A RESOLUTION, HOWEVER CAREFULLY BALANCED, ADDRESSING THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION'S REPORT ON CYPRIOT COMPLAINTS OF TURKISH HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS. ACCORDINGLY, THE PERMREPS ON SEPTEMBER 20 AGREED TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF THE ISSUE UNTIL THEIR NEXT MEETING PRESENTLY SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 17-21. THE INACTION IS BEING RATIONALIZED HERE IN PART AS AIDING POSSIBLE FORWARD MOVEMENT ON A CYPRUS SOLUTION IN THE SHADOW OF THE UNGA, SOMETHING THE TURKISH PERMREP INSISTED WAS IN THE OFFING. THE COUNCIL'S SCANDINAVIAN MEMBERS ARE THE MOST PERPLEXED BY INACTION ON THE CYPRUS REPORT AND THE EC-NINE'S HAVING SUDDENLY GIVEN UP THE EFFORT WHEN AGREEMENT ON A CONSENSUS RESOLUTION SEEMED AT HAND.

2. THE TURKS FAVORED NO ACTION BY THE COUNCIL AT ALL, BUT THE TURKISH PERMREP TOLD ME THE MORNING OF SEPT. 19 HE WAS PREPARED TO TAKE ANY CONSENSUS TEXT TO ZURICH TO SHOW TO FOREIGN MINISTER CAGLAYANGIL LATER THAT DAY. AT NO POINT DID HE THREATEN THAT TURKEY WOULD LEAVE THE COUNCIL, IN THE EVENT THAT A STATEMENT DISPLEASING TO THEM WERE ADOPTED, QUITE LIKELY BECAUSE HE KNEW BY THEN CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT THE TURKS HAD LITTLE TO FEAR FROM A RESOLUTION, SINCE THERE WAS NO CHANCE OF TURKEY BEING FOUND GUILTY.

3. GREEK PERMREP ON SEPT. 17 STATED TO ME THAT GREEK (AND CYPRIOT) AIM IS TO HAVE THE COMMISSION'S REPORT OF VIOLATIONS PUBLISHED, TO PUT PRESSURE ON THE TURKS TO STOP CONTINUED EXPULSIONS AND OTHER ACTS. ALTHOUGH HE SAID HE WOULD RESIST ATTEMPTS TO DELAY OR NEUTRALIZE COUNCIL OF EUROPE ACTION, HE CLAIMED DELAY (SUCH AS SUBSEQUENTLY OCCURRED SEPT. 20) AND INTRODUCTION OF THIRD CYPRIOT COMPLAINT (STRASBOURG 0203 NOTAL) WOULD EVENTUALLY HURT TURKS UNLESS THERE WERE REAL PROGRESS ON A CYPRUS SETTLEMENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
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